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SUBJ: PAPUA-NEW GUINEA IN THE UN TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

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SUMMARY: ON AUGUST 28 AND 29 IN MORNING AND AFTERNOON SESSIONS THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL COMPLETED ITS DELIBERATIONS ON PAPUA NEW GUINEA AND ENDED THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL'S 42ND SESSION. WITH PAPUA NEW GUINEA INDEPENDENCE SEPT 16, US TRUST TERRITORY OF PACIFIC BECOMES LAST UN TRUST TERRITORY. END SUMMARY.

1. THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL APPROVED BY CONSENSUS DRAFT RES 3284 WHICH CONGRATULATES THE GOVT AND PEOPLE OF PAPUA-NEW GUINEA AND THE GOVT OF AUSTRALIA ON PAPUA NEW GUINEA'S UPCOMING INDEPENDENCE ON SEPT 16, 1975.

2. THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL ALSO APPROVED ITS DRAFT REPORT TO THE GA BY A VOTE OF FOUR IN FAVOR AND ONE ABSTENTION (USSR) THE PRESIDENT OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL REITERATED THE COUNCIL'S DECISION THAT THE TRUST AGREEMENT WOULD END ON INDEPENDENCE DAY.

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3. THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL APPROVED THE DISPATCH OF A VISITING MISSION TO THE PAPUA NEW GUINEA INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS.

4. ON AUGUST 28 THE COUNCIL HEARD BOUGAINVILLE SECESSIONIST PETITIONER FATHER JOHN MOMIS MAKE A SHORT AND UNIMPRESSIVE PLEA FOR BOUGAINVILLE INDEPENDENCE. MOMIS STATEMENT ELICITED NO QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL ALTHOUGH ALL SUPPORTED THE PRINCIPLE OF NATIONAL UNITY IN THEIR GENERAL DEBATE SPEECHES ON AUGUST 29.

5. EACH OF THE MEMBERS OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL MADE A GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENT AND ALSO A BRIEF CLOSING STATEMENT. BOTH GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENTS AND CLOSING STATEMENTS WERE LARGELY CONGRATULATORY. THE SOLE EXCEPTION WAS THE GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENT BY SOVIET REP SAFRONCHUK WHO LINKED THE ACHIEVEMENT OF PAPUA-NEW GUINEA INDEPENDENCE TO THE "WORLD WIDE STRUGGLE OF LIBERATION FROM COLONIAL DEPENDENCE". SAFRONCHUK CITED THE VICTORY OVER FACISM THIRTY YEARS AGO AS A PRIME CAUSE FOR THE COLLAPSE OF THE COLONIAL SYSTEMS OF IMPERIALISM. SAFRONCHUK ALSO REFERRED REPEATEDLY TO THE WIDENING OF THE DETENTE AND THE PRINCIPLE OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE.

6. WITH THE TERMINATION OF AUSTRALIA'S TRUSTEESHIP AGREEMENT ON THE 16TH OF SEPTEMBER, THE U.S. TRUST TERRITORY OF PACIFIC WILL BE THE LAST UN TRUST TERRITORY.  
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